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In re Patent Application of) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**
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AGENT)

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Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated January 15, 2008,
Applicants submit herewith an Information Disclosure Statement and the following
Amendment and Response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which
begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this Response.